

LIQUOR FEE REFUND  
IS FOUGHT BY CITY

Protests Against Petition to Court of Dealers for Money Back

JUDGE RESERVES DECISION

Assistant City Solicitor Marshall A. Coyne today appeared before Judge Stanke in Quarter Sessions Court and protested the granting of a petition for the refund of liquor license fees.

The protest was entered upon the hearing of a petition filed by Elton J. Buckley, a lawyer, on behalf of James A. McCaffrey & Sons, liquor dealers, of 4007 Market street.

Judge Stanke after hearing argument from both lawyers, reserved his decision. The decision in this case will affect a large number of liquor dealers in Philadelphia who have been paying their license fees monthly and retaining closed during the wartime prohibition act and attending when the last hope was gone to apply to the Courts of Quarter Session for the return of their money.

The McCaffrey petition asks for the refund of \$583,38 paid into the city treasury in monthly installments since last July. The firm has not engaged in the liquor business, having been closed under the federal law.

The act of Assembly of February, 1919, permits the paying of the license fee in monthly installments and the act of June, 1919, provides for a refund of license fees. Mr. Buckley argued that this latter act should be construed liberally so that license holders who have been closed would have the fees returned to them.

Mr. Coyne pointed out that the act distinctly says persons who have paid a full year's license fee and argued that this provision bars liquor dealers who have paid in their license fees under the act of February, 1919, in monthly installments.

INSTITUTIONS REMEMBERED

Will Give Small Bequests to Eight Jewish Organizations

Eight Jewish institutions are to receive bequests under the will of Solomon Stominsky, 311 Reed street, a real estate dealer, who died December 27. The will probated today, leaves the bulk of his \$200,000 estate to the widow, Mrs. Anna Stominsky.

Bequests of \$50 each were left to the Hebrew Free School, 318 Catherine street; the Independent Hebrew School, 623 Dickinson street; the Hebrew Orphan's Home, the Jewish Sheltering Arms and Children's Asylum, 1200 Arch street; \$25 each are to be paid to the Hebrew Free School, Fifth and Parrish streets; the Hebrew Free Loan Association to the Ladies' Immigration Aid Society.

The will of Jane Tolster, 1925 North Twenty-third street, disposing of an estate valued at \$200,000, leaves \$250 to St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Elizabeth's Church.

Other wills admitted to probate were: Miles C. Young, 1010 Locust, \$11,000; Rebecca M. Williams, who died in the Germantown Hospital, \$6000; Charles W. Starn, 318 Catherine street, \$4449; and Herman C. Hoppen, 1949 North Crosskey street, \$3500.

An inventory of the estate of Harry A. Gatchel placed its value at \$128,620.05, and that of Elizabeth B. Kirkbride at \$49,010.86.

BABY GIVES FIRE ALARM

Child's Cries Wake Mother, and Family Escapes Flames

The baby's cries at 5:30 o'clock this morning awoke Mrs. S. Starn, and probably saved the entire family of seven from suffocation, when their notion goods supply store at 946 North Eleventh street, burned.

The cause of the fire is not known. The store was burned out, but the dwelling portion of the building was saved. Neighbors are taking care of the baby. Mrs. Starn, the four children and Mrs. Starn's sister. The amount of the loss is not yet known.

Deaths of a Day

WILLIAM R. LESTER

Veteran Newspaperman Dies of Heart Disease After Brief Illness

William R. Lester, widely known literary reviewer and art critic, died last night at his residence, 4045 Walnut street, after a brief illness. Heart disease was the immediate cause of his death.

Mr. Lester, who was in his sixty-eighth year, was employed by the North American. He devoted almost his entire life to writing for newspapers and had the reputation of being one of the best reviewers in the country.

He was born in New York state, and came to this city in his youth, where he soon gained recognition as one of the best reporters of his day. At a recent banquet given by the Veteran Newspapermen's Association, which Mr. Lester attended, Mayor Moore, who was the guest of honor, referred to him as "one of the finest of old-time reporters."

Mr. Lester had always taken a deep interest in amateur sports. He was widely known as an amateur baseball player and was a member of the famous old Woodrow baseball club. He also wrote numerous sports articles for newspapers.

He was one of the organizers of the Philadelphia Opera Society, and was a member of the Art Club. He was an amateur painter and for many years a student of the violin. He was a charter member of the Philadelphia Sporting Writers' Association and one of the founders of the Veteran Athletes' Association.

PATROLMAN ALLOWED BAIL

Dundon Is Charged With Killing a Chinese in Row

After a sidebar conference with Judge Stanke in Quarter Sessions Court today, Assistant District Attorney Brown and Harry Felix, a lawyer, it was agreed that \$5000 bail should be allowed in the case of Joseph Dundon, charged with murder.

Dundon is a patrolman attached to the vice squad and is charged with causing the death of Lee Tong, a Chinese.

On last Wednesday, Young Lee, a Chinaman, of 935 Race street, was indicted on charges of assault and battery with intent to kill Dundon and attempted rescue of a prisoner arrested by Patrolman Archangelo Lerro, who is also a member of the vice squad. The killing took place about a week ago at 935 Race street in a fight following an attempt to arrest a young girl.

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MELVILLE FREAS

MELVILLE H. FREAS, GERMANTOWN, DIES

Civil War Veteran, 79, Was Known as "Grandpop" and "Santa Claus" to All

Melville H. Freas, "grandpop" and "Santa Claus" of Germantown's boy and girlhood, veteran of the Civil War, and probably the most patriotic young man in Germantown, died today at his home, 248 East 14th street, of complications resulting from bronchitis.

He was seventy-nine years old, and a better proof that he was a real Germantown citizen could be found than that he died in a house not two blocks away from his birthplace. Two daughters, Mrs. Charles Matheson and Mrs. Laura M. Johnson, fourteen grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren survive him, as well as four sisters.

At the age of twenty-one Mr. Freas enlisted at the outbreak of the Civil War in Company A, 150th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry, popularly known as the "Bucktail Regiment." After years of service, he was taken prisoner on July 1, 1863, at the Battle of Gettysburg.

Was Letter-Carrier Together with four other Germantown boys, all of them long since dead, No. G. A. R. route, he was assigned to Grant and George Shingle, he was assigned to Libby and Andersonville prisons until the end of the war. A few years later, he became a letter-carrier and was so employed for twenty-one years. He has also been an auctioneer and at the time of his death was employed by McCray & Hunter, produce dealers.

He was a member of Ellis Post, No. 6, G. A. R., and also of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, Germantown avenue and High street.

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WOMAN EXPLORER WARNS OF TURKEY

Bolshevist Menace in Constantinople May Affect World, Says Miss Czapliska

HERE TO LECTURE AT PENN

"Whatever happens to Constantinople will affect the world," Miss Marie A. Czapliska, explorer, writer and student of ethnology, who has come to Philadelphia to talk of "The Turks of Central Asia, Old and New," at the University Museum, makes this statement.

She comes because she believes that America, as well as all of west Europe needs facts. Miss Czapliska appreciates the almost hopeless efforts of east Europe to solve its problems without the aid of west Europe and America.

"We started the war with a principle and ended without one. And the people need facts to formulate their principle."

A pan-Turkish movement, aided by German propaganda which started, of course, long before the war, would lead to a pan-Mohammedan union. There must be preservation of the Turks, on religious grounds, for that will but start the movement, that will affect all Mohammedans.

The countries of southeast Europe are happy in their nationalism, but they are looking to the west for some policy or principle, and England, France and America will lose their opportunity unless they act promptly.

Miss Czapliska thinks that, on the whole, the Russian peasant prefers proletarian rule to czarism, but that a barrier should be created to prevent the spread of bolshevism among those who do not want it. The bolshevists started out in Russia, and now international socialism, but have since become nationalistic and developed a spirit of revenge with a dictatorship of the proletariat, she says.

"The bolshevists are not growing stronger," says Miss Czapliska, "but their opponents are growing weaker. They should be kept in Russia and not be allowed to spread. Lifting the Russian blockade would lift the bolshevist movement, unless it were accompanied by political or diplomatic conditions that would act as barriers."

The real force of the bolshevists depends on Chinese mercenaries, according to Miss Czapliska. The Chinese are not clever and have no initiative, but they are stable and fearless.

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MAYOR WARNS MEN AGAINST STRIKES

Tells Water Bureau Employees to Submit Grievances Directly to City

SAYS OFFICE ALWAYS OPEN

Mayor Moore gave warning today that any men who might go on strike in the Water Bureau would stand small chance of getting employment again during his administration.

He made it plain likewise that he sympathized with the men in their desire for better pay, and would do everything he could to help them. He made it plain however, that he would deal with the men directly, and not with any union representatives.

The Mayor talked to a delegation from the Water Bureau employees today, headed by George S. Lightfoot, an officer of the Steam and Operative Engineers' Union, Local 447. The delegation represented engineers, oilers, firemen and mechanics employed in the Water Bureau.

Mr. Lightfoot, speaking for the delegation, offered a wage scale agreed upon by the men. It was the same scale presented to the old City Councils last December and not acted upon at that time. The men had talked of a strike unless they received some consideration by January 2. Later this date was changed to February 1.

In answer to a question put by the Mayor, Mr. Lightfoot stated that about 75 per cent of the water bureau employees were unionized. He went on to explain that the men were forced to ask higher wages because of the greatly increased cost of all commodities.

"Have any outside influences been brought to bear," asked the Mayor, "to make the men dissatisfied or threaten to strike?"

"Absolutely not," replied Mr. Lightfoot. "The unions have had nothing to do with the matter. My own duties simply are to bring capital and labor together."

"Don't take the government of our men out of the hands of the city," warned the Mayor. "I cannot recognize any outside influence."

Then he said, turning to the union representative: "Would you order these men to strike?"

"I never would," was the answer. "But I cannot tell what the men themselves would do. They are dissatisfied, for they want to deal directly with the men," the Mayor insisted. "My office is open to them at any time. I am in complete sympathy with their desire for better wages."

If they will agree on a scale with Director Winston and Chief Davis, then these gentlemen and I can take the matter up together, and later submit it to Council.

The Mayor looked at the scale offered him, and commented on the fact that it was on a union letterhead.



MISS MARIE A. CZAPLISKA

Explorer, writer and student of ethnology, who is here to warn of world menace attendant to spread of bolshevism in Asiatic Turkey

WERE ROUGH THOSE DAYS

S. S. White Dental Exhibit Shows Ancestors Must Have Suffered

For the layman there is always a certain agony even in looking at dental tools. But those who view the heavy mallets, chisels, "saws" and queer operating chairs used by a few generations ago and now being shown at the S. S. White exhibit, 1120 Chestnut street, will turn with a sigh of relief to modern devices.

The exhibit is a part of the company's celebration of its seventy-fifth anniversary. There are a number of old-fashioned chairs at the exhibit, as well as old foot-power machines operating queer-looking buzzsaws.

The making of toothpaste, the manufacture of false teeth and fillings, as well as the various dental tools, are demonstrated at the exhibit, which has attracting dentists and laymen from many surrounding cities and states.

Ivy L. Lee Will Discuss Plumb Plan

Ivy L. Lee, of the Association of Railway Executives, will speak on "The Railway Situation With Special Reference to the Plumb Plan" this evening at the Friends' Select School, 140 North Sixteenth street. Mr. Lee was formerly assistant to the president of the Pennsylvania Railroad. The lecture tonight is one of a series on the general subject, "A New Spirit in Human Relationships," which has been arranged by different Friends' organizations.

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Income Tax Returns 1919

The Idea behind this Annual Sale

of Perry Suits and Overcoats is this:

It's time to stop talking about prices going up and time to cut them down!

In fact, that's the way prices will come down in the end—when everybody all at once starts talking and thinking and demanding it! Whenever the world is sufficiently sick of high clothing prices, they will start downhill faster than they went up. Personally, we are sick of them now and have been right along. We certainly have never encouraged them, but have fought them tooth and nail, first by shrewd trading, then by sacrificing our profits, and now by lowering what were already the lowest prices for merchandise of Perry character.

Handsome Ulsters in plaid-back fabrics, some quilted satin lined to waist and interlined with flannel; big 48-inch Great Coats with belts or without belts; deep convertible collars; muff pockets. Conservative Winter Overcoats, cloth collars and velvet collars; box backs, easy slippers; trim Ulsterettes for Young Men.

And Winter Suits in wide variety of model, fabric, pattern and color.

Annex a FUR-COLLAR OVERCOAT at a Bargain!

Beaver, Otter, Hudson Seal, Natural Nutria, Taupe Nutria and Sealine collars; Meltons and cheviot Overcoatings in Oxford, brown, blue, tan, novelty mixtures.

Women's and Misses' Wool Jersey Suits, Special for \$23.50 Saturday at

Trim, serviceable Wool Jersey Suits which will hold their shape well and give excellent service; sizes for misses of 16, 18 and 20 years and for women of 36 and 38 bust measure. See if you can find their equal anywhere in Philadelphia tomorrow at this price.

Miscellaneous Lots of Women's HALF and Misses' Dresses at HALF PRICE

Included are Serge Dresses, Velveteen Dresses, Georgette Crepe and Satin Dresses; also a few Party Frocks. Not a complete range of sizes, but wonderful values.

Misses' and Junior Suits in REDUCED Many Different Styles... ONE-THIRD

Misses' Suits of velours and other fashionable materials; also Tweed Suits for junior girls.

A Clearance Lot of Women's HALF Waists at HALF PRICE

Waists of cotton voile and batiste; many good styles, but all are somewhat rumpled or mused; worth from \$2.00 to \$5.00; reduced to half these prices.

Girls' Wool Jersey Frocks, REDUCED 10 to 14 years... ONE-THIRD

Attractive Afternoon Frocks of wool jersey in brown and navy blue; sizes 10 to 14 years; touches of brightly colored wool embroidery adorn them here and there. These Dresses will be particularly good for early spring days when Coats become irksome, as they are warm without being bulky. Regular prices from \$25.00 to \$37.50 reduced one-third for tomorrow.

Get One Today!

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SECRETARY

I am a young woman at present employed as secretary to executive. Having reached limit of advancement, wish to change my position for one offering greater opportunities. Have held present position six years; previous experience, three years. I can take dictation, but do not write. I am a native of this city, prefer semi-executive secretarial position where willing to assume responsibility and take an interest in my work will be appreciated. Salary desired, \$15 a week; would accept \$12 until ability is shown. B 420, Ledger Office

YOUTH ADMITS GAGGING AND ROBBERY

Woman, Sergeant States George Heckman, nineteen years old, who was arrested in Doylestown, jail charged with attacking and robbing Mrs. Herbert Leddon, of Churchville, made a full confession today, according to Sergeant Arthur Parker, of the state constabulary.

"I guess I was in a fit of rage when I did it," Heckman said, according to Parker. The prisoner did not appear to be the least disturbed over what he had done, the prison officials say.

Mrs. Leddon is under the care of a physician as a result of Heckman's alleged attack.

Heckman was employed by Herbert Leddon to do chores about his farm. While his employer was working in a nearby wood on Wednesday, Heckman, it is alleged, entered the Leddon home, and covering Mrs. Leddon with a shotgun robbed her of \$7. He also, it is said, took the savings from a child's bank and after forcing a gag in the mouth of Mrs. Leddon fled.

AGED WIDOW DIES IN SHED

Mrs. Anna Biddle, eighty-three years old, a widow, who has lived alone for several years at 752 North Forty-fifth street, was found dead in the coal shed at the rear of her home last night by a patrolman sent to investigate by neighbors. A physician at the Prosesterin Hospital said she had died of natural causes, probably apoplexy, and had been dead for about two days. Relatives are said to live at Haddonfield, N. J.

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